

State Advisory Council for Exceptional Children

On September 13, 2017, Governor Matt Bevin appointed the following members to the State Advisory Council for Exceptional Children after establishing council by Executive Order on June 16, 2017.

Name	Expertise/Representation	Term Expires
Anita Carol Dowd, Lawrenceburg	Executive staff advisor for the Kentucky Commission on the Deaf & Hard of Hearing Represents individuals with disabilities or exceptional needs	June 30, 2019
Julie Ann Rubemeyer, Erlanger	Teacher with the Dayton Independent School District Represents parents of an exceptional child ages birth through 12 years	June 30, 2019
William Hadaway Greer, Bowling Green	Division vice president for marketing with Atmos Energy Represents parents of an exceptional child ages 13 through 26 years	June 30, 2019
Anna Katherine Light, Somerset	Special education teacher with Rockcastle County Schools Represents elementary special education teachers	June 30, 2019
Donald A. McCormack, Louisville	Special education teacher with Jefferson County Public Schools Represents middle or secondary special education teachers	June 30, 2019
Dr. Eric Wesley Umstead, Murray	Professor at Murray State University Represents higher education members that prepare special education teachers	June 30, 2019
Libby Ellen Suttles, Danville	Executive director of Wilderness Trace Child Development Represents private sector providers of programs for exceptional children	June 30, 2019
Amber Nicole Barnes, Mt. Eden	Job placement specialist with the Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation Represents individuals with disabilities or exceptional needs	June 30, 2020
Melissa Lee Knight, Lebanon	President of Farmers National Bank of Lebanon Represents members meeting requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020

Amy Sue Folker, Frankfort	Insurance policy analyst for the Kentucky Department of Insurance Represents members meeting requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020
Leisa Carol Hutchinson, Bowling Green	Speech/language pathologist instructor at Western Kentucky University Represents members meeting requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020
Tricia Shawn Gibbons, Covington	Former service learning coordinator and volunteer coordinator Represents members meeting requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020
Danny Kay Hughes, Monticello	Wildlife biologist with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Represents members meeting requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020
Stephanie Michelle Knipper, Independence	Educator and author Represents members meeting the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Act	June 30, 2020
Kimberly Ann Chevalier, Union	Assistant superintendent for Walton-Verona Independent Schools Represents public school administrators of programs for exceptional children	June 30, 2021
Adria Elaine Johnson, Louisville	Commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Community Based Services Represents child welfare agency members responsible for foster care	June 30, 2021
Carey Cockerell, Georgetown	Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Juvenile Justice Represents members affiliated with juvenile correction or transitional services	June 30, 2021
Ravonne Lee Sims Prospect	Warden of the Roederer Correctional Complex Represents members involved with adult corrections.	June 30, 2021
Margretta Gayle Hylton, Cannel City	Exceptional child consultant with the Kentucky Department of Education Represent state agency members involved with the financing or delivery of services to children with disabilities	June 30, 2021

Barry Dale Lee, Yosemite	Director of special education for Pulaski County Schools Represents members of the vocational, community or business organizations concerned with the provision of services to disabled children	June 30, 2021
Dr. Brent Douglas Hutchinson, Emmalena	Executive director of the Hindman Settlement School Represents members of private schools or public charter schools	June 30, 2021